

United States Senator

BOB BENNETT

Joint Economic Committee

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Medicare Hearing Announced

Washington, D.C. – Senator Bob Bennett (R-Utah), chairman of the Joint Economic Committee (JEC), announced today a hearing on “Medicare’s Financial Crisis” scheduled for April 10, 2003. The hearing will review the 2003 Medicare Trustees Report, the long-term financial viability of the program, proposals to add a prescription drug benefit and other reforms. It will include the first joint appearance by the new director of the Congressional Budget Office and the head of the General Accounting Office.

WHAT: JEC hearing on “Medicare’s Financial Crisis”

WHO: 1st Panel

Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Ph.D., Director
Congressional Budget Office

David M. Walker, C.P.A., Comptroller General
General Accounting Office

2nd Panel

Gail R. Wilensky, Ph.D., Senior Fellow
Center for Health Affairs, Project Hope

John P. Martin, Director, Employment, Labor & Social Affairs
Organization for Economic Co-Operation & Development

Marilyn Moon, Ph.D., Senior Fellow
The Urban Institute

WHEN: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 10, 2003 (originally scheduled for March 25th)

WHERE: Room 562, Dirksen Senate Office Building

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